(d) if so, what are the details of the export orders and the names of the companies which exported poor quality of tobacco and the action taken against them?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. SHIV SHANKER): (a) USSR UK, Belgium, France, Italy, Netherlands. Irish Republic, Germany FR, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, GDR, PDRY, S. Arabia, Nepal, Japan, Algeria, Libya, Egypt, Somalia are the main purchasers of Indian tobacco.

(b) The quantity of tobacco exported from India during the last three years is as under :

(In Tonnes)

| 1983-84 | 1984-85 | 1985-86 |
|---|---|---|
| 89985 | 74745 | 64433 |

(c) and (d). Claims of about US $ 7 million were raised by China on the following exporters for the shipments made during 1981-82 :

1. M/s. Gogineni Tobaccos, Guntur.
2. M/s. Jayalakshmi International, Guntur.
3. M/s. Sri Jayalakshmi Tobacco Co.
4. M/s. Mittapalli Audinarayana and Co., Guntur.
5. M/s. ITC Ltd., ILTD Division, Guntur.
6. M/s. Maddi Lakshmaiah and Co. (P) Ltd., Chilakaluripet.
7. M/s. Maddi Venkataratnam and Co. (P) Ltd., Chilakalurpet.

The responsible exporters were asked to settle the claims raised by China. The Directorate of Marketing and Inspection, Department of Rural Development has taken action against the erring companies since quality control comes under them. Except M/s. Gogineni Tobaccos, the remaining exporters have settled their claims. M/s. Gogineni Tobaccos have agreed to supply 610 tonnes of tobacco free of cost towards the claim.

**Amount sanctioned for Police Communication systems in Andhra Pradesh**

1521. SHRI TALARI MANOHAR : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the amount sanctioned by the Union Government to develop the police communication system in Andhra Pradesh during 1983-84, 1984-85, 1985-86 and so far upto 1987;

(b) whether it is a fact that the sanctioned amounts are inadequate; and

(c) if so, whether there is any proposal to increase the amount?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (c) The subject 'public order' and 'police' are included in the State list of the VIIth Schedule to the Constitution. The State Governments are primarily responsible for improving the working of the police. The Government of India have, however, been supplementing their efforts by providing financial assistance to the States under the scheme of modernisation of State police forces for incurring expenditure under the items like mobility, wireless equipment, scientific aid for investigation, training equipment and computerisation of crime records.

The following amount was released to develop the police communication system in Andhra Pradesh for each year:—

(Rs. in lakhs)

| Year | Amount |
|---|---|
| 1984-85. . . . . | 21·45 |
| 1985-86. . . . . | 21·45 |
| 1986-87. . . . . | 22·00 |

During the year 1983-84, a total amount of Rs. 45.94 lakhs was released under the scheme for expenditure in respect of all the items mentioned above.